



# Conserving Caribbean Shorebirds and Their Habitats International Training Workshop

February 11-15, 2019

Cabo Rojo National Wildlife Refuge, Puerto Rico



BirdsCaribbean and Manomet, working with their partners are pleased to invite interested persons to participate in a five-day training workshop in shorebird monitoring and conservation, the Caribbean Waterbird Census (CWC), and International Shorebird Survey (ISS). The workshop is classroom and field-based and will take place at Cabo Rojo National Wildlife Refuge in Puerto Rico from Feb. 11-15, 2019.

## Workshop Topics

- Overview of the Caribbean Waterbird Census and the International Shorebird Survey and how to design and implement a monitoring program
- Shorebird life history- migration strategies, stopover ecology, and reproduction
- Threats to shorebirds and wetland habitats & conservation and management strategies
- Developing a strategy for including citizen scientists (volunteers) in monitoring
- Building sustainability for long-term monitoring
- Data entry and use of eBird as a data storage platform
- Data analysis, report preparation, and communication
- Field-based training
  - census techniques and field surveys
  - shorebird and wetland bird identification
  - flock estimation
  - wetland habitat assessments



## Should I apply?

We would love to see you there! You should definitely apply if you are:

- interested in learning about shorebird-waterbird monitoring techniques
- motivated to participate in shorebird and wetland monitoring & conservation on your island

Preference will be given to those who are:

- working in protected areas or on wetland conservation
- monitoring with governments or NGOs in Caribbean Ramsar sites, Western Hemisphere Shorebird Reserve Network sites, and/or Important Bird Areas (IBAs)

## Funding

A limited amount of funding is available to cover flights, meals, accommodations, workshop materials (field guides and binoculars included), and field trip transportation.

## Applications

By December 14, 2019:

1. Complete application form & attach CV
2. Send to [jessica.rozek@birdscaribbean.org](mailto:jessica.rozek@birdscaribbean.org) and copy [info@birdscaribbean.org](mailto:info@birdscaribbean.org)